



your resource for Affordable Housing



***12 Pond Street
Ashland, MA***

Information Package and First Come First Serve Application

Attached is the information regarding the affordable rental units at 12 Pond Street in Ashland, Massachusetts. Potential Tenants will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, age, ancestry, children, familial status, genetic information, marital status, public assistance reciprocity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran/military status, or any other basis prohibited by law.

12 Pond Street in Ashland is a new rental development offering 2 affordable two-bedroom apartments for eligible tenants for applicants earning up to 80% AMI on a first come first serve basis. Each unit includes two bedrooms and 2 bathrooms in 1265-1385 sq. ft. There is one garage space per apartment that has a lift to accommodate two cars, at no charge. In unit washer and dryer provided. Pets are allowed per the pet policy. Pet agreement will need to be signed. This is a smoke free building. Requirements are subject to reasonable accommodation.

The monthly rent is: \$2,273. The remaining two units are on a first come first serve basis. This means the first two applicants that submit a complete application and are determined eligible by MCO and the Leasing Office will have the opportunity to lease.

Tenants are responsible for all utilities except sewer. A utility allowance has been deducted from the rents.

These rents are NOT income based. Applicants are responsible for the full rent as stated above. Section 8 or other housing vouchers will be accepted, and it is up to you to talk with your voucher holder to determine if they will approve the project and accept the rents.

The minimum income needed to lease a unit, without a Section 8 or other housing voucher is: \$68,190

Income and assets may be used in determining minimum income eligibility, if needed.

PLEASE NOTE: All applicants must include complete financial documentation with the application for your application to be reviewed for eligibility. An application will be considered incomplete and will not be reviewed if all financial documentation is not received with submission.

Applicants who submitted an incomplete application will be notified via email, if available, or by letter. The email or letter will include the list of missing documentation. If you submit the missing documentation and your application is determined complete, we will review for eligibility.

Thank you for your interest in affordable housing at **12 POND STREET**. We wish you the best of luck. Please contact MCO Housing Services at 978-456-8388 or email us at lotteryinfo@mcohousingservices.com if you have any questions. We encourage you to advise other people or organizations that may be interested in this program and make copies of the relevant information as needed.



This is an important document. Please contact [AGENCY NAME] at [PHONE #] for free language assistance.

Este documento es muy importante. Favor de comunicarse con el MCO Housing en 978-456-8388 para ayuda gratis con el idioma. (Spanish)

Este é um documento importante. Entre em contato com o MCO Housing Serv no número 978-456-8388 para obter assistência gratuita com o idioma. (Portuguese)

Dokiman sila a enpòtan. Tanpri kontakte MCO Housing la nan 978-456-8388 pou asistans gratis nan lang. (Haitian Creole)

此文件為重要文件。如果您需要免費的語言翻譯幫助，請聯絡 MCO Housing 聯絡方式：978-456-8388。(Chinese, Traditional)

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Это весьма важный документ. Свяжитесь с сотрудником MCO Housing на предмет оказания бесплатной помощи по переводу на иностранный язык (978-456-8388). (Russian)
(Phone #)

នេះគឺជាឯកសារសំខាន់។ សូមទំនាក់ទំនង MCO Housing តាមរយៈ 978-456-8388 ដើម្បីទទួលបានជំនួយផ្នែកភាសាដោយឥតគិតថ្លៃ។ [Mon-Khmer, Cambodian]

Đây là một tài liệu quan trọng. Vui lòng liên hệ MCO Housing tại 978-456-8388 để được hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí. (Vietnamese)

Kani waa dukumentiyi muhiim ah. Fadlan MCO Housing kala soo xiriir 978-456-8388 si aad u hesho gargaar xagga luqadda oo bilaash ah. (Somali)

هذه وثيقة مهمة. يرجى الاتصال بـ MCO Housing بـ 978-456-8388 للمساعدة اللغوية المجانية.
[Phone #] [Agency Name] (Arabic)

Ce document est très important. Veuillez contacter le MCO Housing au 978-456-8388 afin d'obtenir une assistance linguistique gratuite. (French)

Il presente è un documento importante. Si prega di contattare il MCO Housing al 978-456-8388 per avere assistenza gratuita per la traduzione. (Italian)



12 Pond Street
Question & Answer

The units will be leased in accordance with policies and guidelines established by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) through its Chapter 40R program.

What are the qualifications required for Prospective Tenants?

- Qualify based on the following maximum income table, which is adjusted for household size:

Household Size	1	2	3	4
61% - 80% AMI Max Income	\$82,950	\$94,800	\$106,650	\$118,450

APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Household income cannot exceed the above maximum gross allowable income limits. Income for adults 18 or older is required.
2. When assets total \$5,000 or less, the actual interest/dividend income earned is included in the annual income OR when assets exceed \$5,000, annual income includes the greater of actual income from assets or a .06% imputed income calculation. Assets divested at less than full market value within two years of application will be counted at full market value when determining eligibility.
3. In addition to income and asset eligibility you will also be subject to a screening by the project and determined eligible based on that basis.
4. Applicants may not own a home and lease an affordable unit, including homes in a trust.
5. Persons with disabilities will be given first preference for such units regardless of what pool they are in based on the requested bedroom size. Where a person with a disability is awaiting an accessible unit and a unit with adaptive features becomes available, the owner/management agent must offer to adapt the unit.

Are the apartments adaptable?

There are no Group 1 or Group 2 units. All of the units are adaptable. The units can be adapted to satisfy a reasonable accommodation request. There is an elevator in the building. Persons with disabilities are entitled to request a reasonable accommodation in rules, policies, practices, or services, or to request a reasonable modification in the housing, when such accommodations or modifications may be necessary to afford persons with disabilities an equal opportunity to use and enjoy the housing. Such reasonable accommodation is not limited to Group 2 units. The request for a reasonable accommodation must be made at time of initial application with the required documentation, i.e. letter from doctor.

Are there preferences for Household Size?

Preference for the two bedrooms will be for households requiring two bedrooms.

Household Size Preferences are based on the following:

1. There is a least one occupant per bedroom.
2. A husband and wife, or those in a similar living arrangement, shall be required to share a bedroom. Other household members may share but shall not be required to share a bedroom.
3. A person described in the first sentence of (2) shall not be required to share a bedroom if a consequence of sharing would be a severe adverse impact on his or her mental or physical health and the lottery agent receives reliable medical documentation as to such impact of sharing.
4. A household may count an unborn child as a household member. The household must submit proof of pregnancy with the application.

Household size shall not exceed, nor may the maximum allowable household size be more restrictive than, State Sanitary Code requirements for occupancy of a unit (See 105 CMR 400). Applicants will not be approved for units larger than their household size allows.



What happens if my household income exceeds the income limit?

Annually you will be recertified for eligibility. Once your household income exceeds 140% of the maximum allowable income adjusted for household size, then after the end of your current lease you will have the option of staying in your unit and paying the market rent or not renewing your lease.

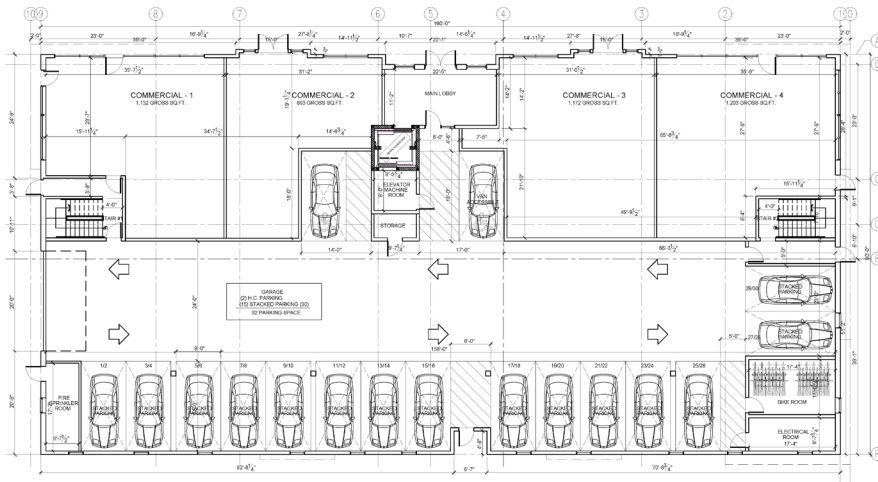
Process

Due to the nature of the affordable units' availability, it is important for everyone to understand the procedure. Please understand the allowable income guidelines are adjusted based upon your household size. Also be advised that the program and its requirements are subject to changes in state or federal regulations.

Unit Availability

Unit	AMI	Sq. Ft	Availability
207	80%	1385	Immediate
304	80%	1278	Immediate






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MIXED-USE BUILDING
COMMERCIAL + RESIDENTIAL
 12 POND STREET
 ASHLAND, MA 01721

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PROPOSED FIRST FLOOR PLAN

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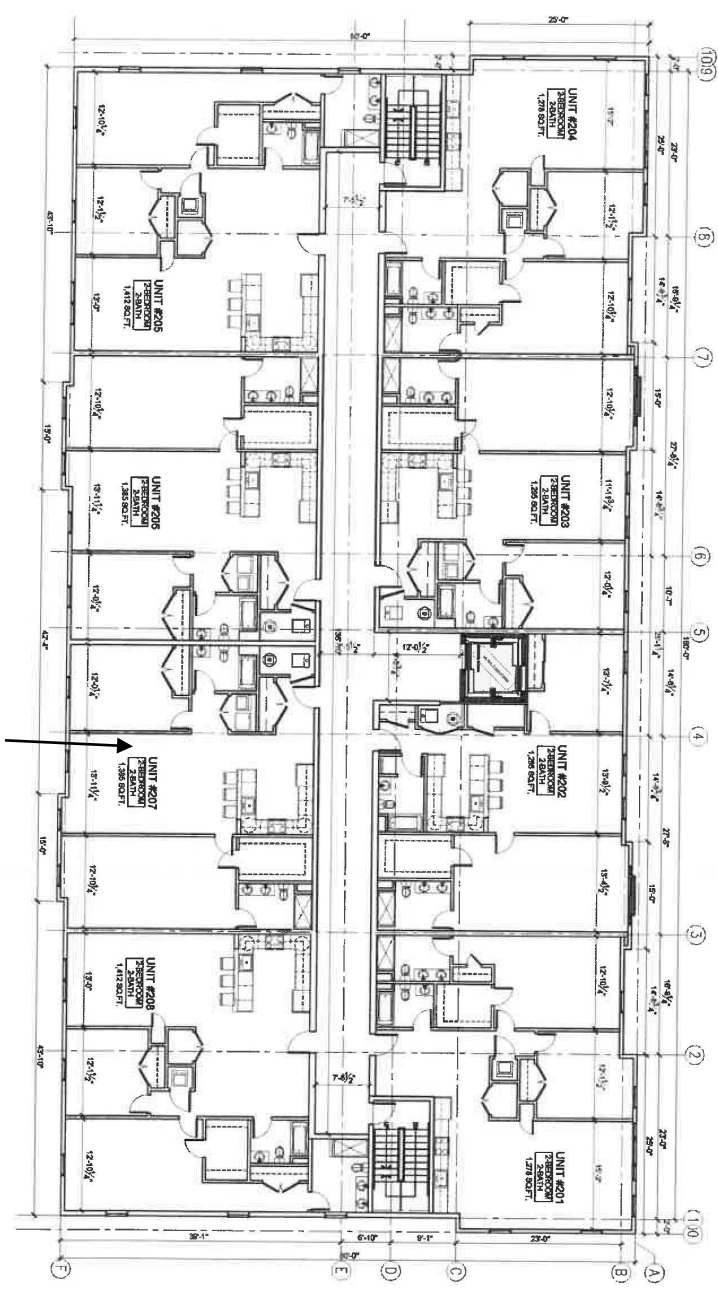
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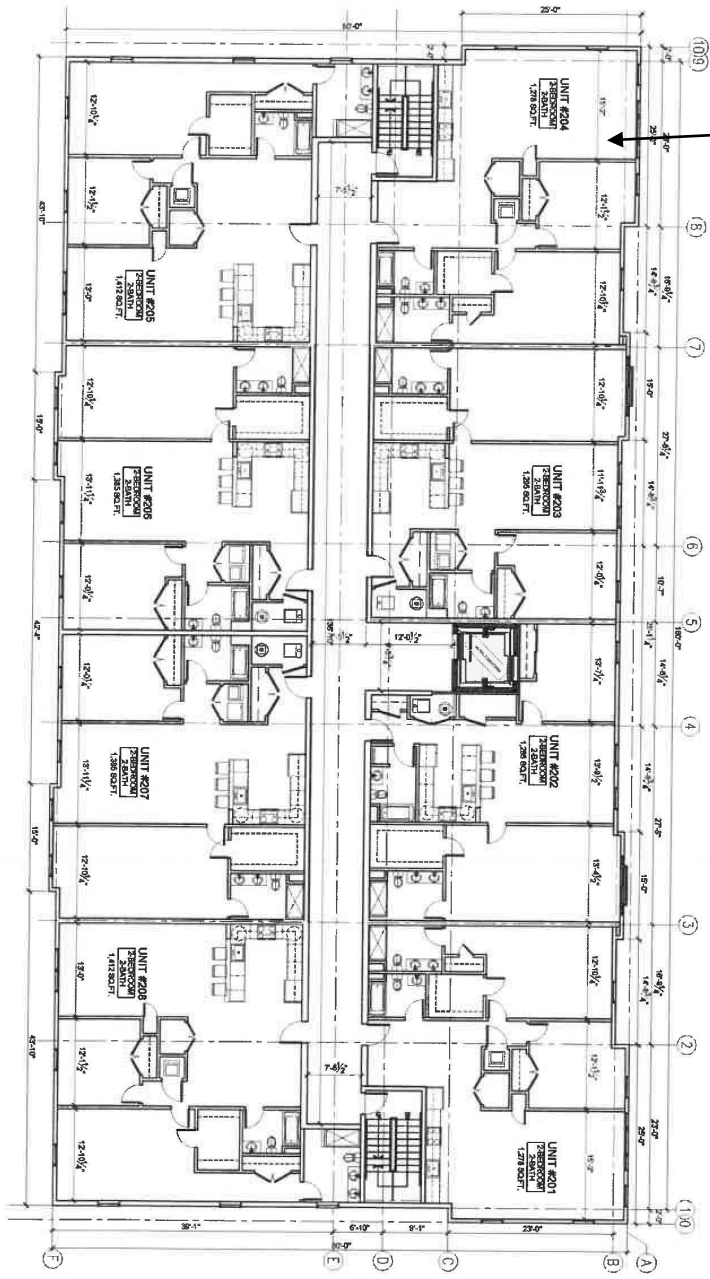
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Proposed SE FLOOR
 Scale: 3/32"



PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

- 1. More than 60% of applications submitted to MCO Housing Services for lotteries are incomplete and not included in lotteries. Please take the time to read the application and submit all required documentation. It is your responsibility to provide the correct documentation. It does not matter if you were the first application or the last application received, we will NOT review applications until AFTER the posted deadline.**
- 2. Read the NOTES on the Required Personal Identification and Income Verification Documents. Failure to do so could mean the difference between a complete and incomplete application as well as eligibility for a unit.**
- 3. All financial documentation is required from all household adults aged 18 or older. No exceptions.**
- 4. DO NOT ASSUME you do not need to provide a certain document. When in question call or email BEFORE you submit your application.**
- 5. Do NOT forget to include statements from Robinhood or any other online investment accounts. They are considered part of your assets. If you have an open account, you must provide statement whether there are any funds in the account or not.**
- 6. If you are unable to provide specific information, then submit a note with your application explaining the circumstances. This will not guarantee your application will be reviewed, but depending on the circumstances, we may be able to work with you.**
- 7. Do not take photos with your cellphone of any documentation and email it to us. The photos are not legible, and we will not accept them.**
- 8. You can fax your information, but it is not recommended. If all pages are not received your application would be considered incomplete.**

ALL FORMS MUST BE COMPLETELY FILLED OUT, SIGNED AND DATED



12 POND STREET First Come First Serve APPLICATION

For Office Use Only:

Date Appl. Rcvd: _____

Household Size: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____ Town: _____ Zip: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Work Telephone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Have you ever owned a home? _____ If so, when did you sell it? _____

Do you have a Section 8 or other housing voucher (the units are **NOT** subsidized, or income based): _____ Yes _____ No

Bedroom Size: _____ Two Bedroom;

Do you require any adaptations or special accommodations? _____ Yes _____ No

If Yes, Please explain: _____

The total household size is _____

Household Composition - complete for everyone that will be living in the unit.

Name _____ Relationship _____ Age _____

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FINANCIAL WORKSHEET: (Include all Household Income, which includes gross wages, retirement income (if drawing on it for income), business income, veterans' benefits, alimony/child support, unemployment compensation, social security, pension/disability income, supplemental second income and dividend income.)

Applicants Monthly Base Income (Gross) _____

Other Income, specify _____

Co-Applicants Monthly Base Income (Gross) _____

Other Income, specify _____

TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME: _____

Household Assets: (This is a partial list of required assets. Complete all that apply with current account balances)

Checking (avg balance for 3 months) _____



Savings _____
 Debit Card _____
 Stocks, Bonds, Treasury Bills, CD or _____
 Money Market Accounts and Mutual Funds _____
 Individual Retirement, 401K and Keogh accounts _____
 Retirement or Pension Funds (amt you can w/d w/o penalty) _____
 Revocable trusts _____
 Equity in rental property or other capital investments _____
 Cash value of whole life or universal life insurance policies _____

TOTAL ASSETS _____

EMPLOYMENT STATUS: (include for all working household members. Attach separate sheet, if necessary.)

Employer: _____
 Street Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Date of Hire (Approximate): _____
 Annual Wage - Base: _____
 Additional: _____ (Bonus, Commission, Overtime, etc.)

ABOUT YOUR HOUSEHOLD: (OPTIONAL)

You are requested to fill out the following section in order to assist us in fulfilling affirmative action requirements. Please be advised that you should fill this out based upon family members that will be living in the apartment/unit. Please check the appropriate categories:

	Applicant	Co-Applicant	(#) of Dependents
Black or African American	_____	_____	_____
Hispanic or Latino	_____	_____	_____
Asian	_____	_____	_____
Native American or Alaskan Native	_____	_____	_____
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	_____	_____	_____
Not White	_____	_____	_____

SIGNATURES:

The undersigned warrants and represents that all statements herein are true. It is understood that the sole use of this application is to establish the preliminary requirements to have an opportunity to lease an affordable unit at 12 Pond Street. I (we) understand if selected all information provided shall be verified for accuracy at the time of lease.

Signature _____ Date: _____
 Applicant(s)

Signature _____ Date: _____
 Co-Applicant(s)

Refer to page 17 for submission information



12 Pond Street

Affidavit & Disclosure Form

I/We understand and agree to the following conditions and guidelines regarding the distribution of the affordable units at 12 Pond Street in Ashland, MA through the Mass Department of Housing and Community Development:

1. The gross annual household income for my family does not exceed the allowable limits as follows:

Household Size	1	2	3	4
Max Income	\$82,950	\$94,800	\$106,650	\$118,450

Income from all family members, over the age of 18, must be included.

2. I/We understand the calculation of income will include the higher of actual income from assets (if over \$5,000) or an imputation of .06% of the value of total household assets which is added to a household's income in determining eligibility.
3. The household size listed on the application form includes only and all the people that will be living in the residence.
4. I/We certify all data supplied on the application is true and accurate to the best of my/our knowledge and belief under full penalty of perjury. I/We understand that providing false information will result in disqualification from further consideration.
5. I/We understand that by being selected does not guarantee that I/we will be able to lease a unit. I/We understand that all application data will be verified, and additional financial information may be required, verified and reviewed in detail prior to leasing a unit. I/We also understand that the Project's Owner will also perform its own screening to determine our eligibility to lease.
6. I/We understand that if selected I/we will be offered a specific unit. I/We will have the option to accept the available unit, or to reject the available unit. If I/we reject the available unit I/we will move to the bottom of the waiting list and will likely not have another opportunity to lease an affordable unit at 12 Pond Street.
7. Program requirements are established by DHCD and are enforced by the Project's Monitoring Agent and, as necessary, DHCD. I/We agree to be bound by whatever program changes may be imposed at any time throughout the process. If any program conflicts arise, I/we agree that any determination made by the Monitoring Agent or, as necessary, DHCD is final.
8. Affordable units may not be leased to individuals who have a financial interest* in the development or to a Related Party,** or to their families. I/we certify that no member of our household has a financial interest in this Project, is a Related Party, or is a family member of someone who has a financial interest or is a Related Party.

***"Financial interest"** means anything that has a monetary value, the amount of which is or will be determined by the outcome of the Project, including but not limited to ownership and equity interests in the Developer or in the subject real estate, and contingent or percentage fee arrangements; but shall not include third party vendors and contractors.

****Related Party means:**

1. any person that, directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with the Developer, as well as any spouse of such person or "significant other" cohabiting with such person, and any parent, grandparent, sibling, child or grandchild (natural, step, half or in-law) of such person;



2. any person that is an officer of, member in, or trustee of, or serves in a similar capacity with respect to the Developer or of which the Developer is an officer, member, or trustee, or with respect to which the Developer serves in a similar capacity, as well as any spouse of such person or “significant other” cohabiting with such person, and any parent, grandparent, sibling, child or grandchild (natural, step, half or in-law) of such person;
3. any person that, directly or indirectly, is the beneficial owner of, or controls, 10% or more of any class of equity securities of, or otherwise has a substantial beneficial interest (10% or more) in, the Developer, or of which the Developer is directly or indirectly the owner of 10% or more of any class of equity securities, or in which the Developer has a substantial beneficial interest (10% or more) , as well as any spouse of such person or “significant other” cohabiting with such person, and any parent, grandparent, sibling, child or grandchild (natural, step, half or in-law) of such person;
4. any employee of the Developer; and
5. any spouse, parent, grandparent, sibling, child or grandchild (natural, step, half or inlaw) of an employee of the Developer or “significant other” cohabiting with an employee of the Developer.

9. I/We understand there may be differences between the market and affordable units and accept those differences.

10. I/We understand if my/our total income exceeds 140% of the maximum allowable income at the time of annual eligibility determination, after the end of my then current lease term I will no longer be eligible for the affordable rent.

I/We have completed an application and have reviewed and understand the process that will be utilized to distribute the available units at 12 Pond Street. I/We am qualified based upon the program guidelines and agree to comply with applicable regulations.

Applicant

Co-Applicant

Date

Refer to page 17 for submission information



**Required Personal Identification and Income Verification Documents
TO BE RETURNED WITH APPLICATION**

Provide all applicable information. Complete financial documentation is required and must be sent with your application. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed for eligibility, although the applicant will receive an email with the missing documentation.

Initial each that are applicable, and provide the documents, or write N/A if not applicable and return this sheet with your application.

1. _____ If you have a Section 8 Voucher or other Housing Voucher, you MUST provide a valid copy with your application.
2. _____ One form of identification for all household members, i.e. birth certificates, driver's license, etc.
3. _____ If you qualify for the Local Preference Pool, provide a copy of utility bills, voter registration etc.
4. _____ If you require a Special Accommodation you must request as part of your application and if documentation is required, i.e. doctors letter, it MUST be included with the application.
5. _____ The most recent last five (5) **consecutive** pay stubs for all jobs (check/direct deposit stubs). For unemployment, copies of unemployment checks or DOR verification stating benefits received. Same for disability compensation, worker's compensation and/or severance pay.
 - **NOTE:** If you have obtained a new job within the last 12 months you must provide a copy of the Employment Offer Letter.
 - **NOTE:** If you are no longer working for an employer you worked for in the past 12 months, you must provide a letter from the employer with your separation date.
 - **NOTE:** You need to provide 5 pay stubs whether you are paid weekly, bi-weekly or monthly.
6. _____ Benefit letter providing full amount of periodic amounts received from Social Security, annuities, insurance policies, retirement funds, pensions, disability or death benefits and other similar types of periodic receipts.
7. _____ Child support and alimony: court document indicating the payment amount, DOR statement. If you do not receive child support provide a letter stating, that you are not receiving child support. See attached form.
8. _____ If you are self-employed you MUST provide a detailed Profit and Loss statement for the last 12 months and three months of business checking and savings accounts along with last three Federal Income Tax Returns. Uber, Lyft, Grubhub, etc. are considered self employment.
9. _____ Federal Tax Returns –2022 (NO STATE TAX RETURNS)
 - **NOTE:** Provide all pages that are submitted to the IRS. For example, if a Schedule C is submitted to the IRS and not part of your application, your application will be considered incomplete.



- **NOTE:** If you did not submit a tax return for last year then you must provide a Verification letter of non-filing from the IRS. The form to request is 4506-T and can be found on irs.gov.
- **NOTE:** If you filed your taxes and are unable to locate you can request the transcript of your Federal taxes by submitting form 4506-T to the IRS. The form can be found on irs.gov.

10. _____ W2 and/or 1099-R Forms: 2022

11. _____ Interest, dividends and other net income of any kind from real or personal property.

12. Asset Statement(s): provide **current** statements of all that apply, unless otherwise noted:

- _____ Checking accounts – Last **three (3)** months of statements – EVERY PAGE – FRONT AND BACK.

NOTE: If you have cash deposits or non payroll or income deposits you MUST identify where the funds have come from. If you fail to explain they will be counted as income, which may put you over the income limit. ***This includes all VENMO's, PAYPALL, CASH APPS etc***

NOTE: Do NOT provide a running transaction list of activity. You must provide the individual statements.

- _____ Pre-paid debit card statements – current month.

NOTE: This is ***NOT*** your ATM/Debit card. This is usually a separate debit card statement showing income deposited directly onto the debit card, i.e. Social Security or other regular income.

NOTE: If Social Security payments are deposited on a Direct Express card it is your responsibility to provide proof. You can print a statement from the Direct Express website at <https://www.usdirectexpress.com/>.

- _____ Saving accounts – last three months of full statements

NOTE: If you have cash deposits or non payroll or income deposits you MUST identify where the funds have come from. If you fail to explain they will be counted as income, which may put you over the income limit. ***This includes all VENMO's, PAYPALL, CASH APPS etc***

NOTE: Do NOT provide a running transaction list of activity. You must provide the individual statements.

- _____ Revocable trusts
- _____ Equity in rental property or other capital investments
- _____ Investment accounts, including stocks, bonds, Treasury Bills, Certificates of Deposit, Mutual Funds, Money Market, Robinhood and all online accounts, etc.
- _____ Retirement accounts, IRS, Roth IRS, 401K, 403B, etc for all current and past jobs
- _____ Cash value of Whole Life or Universal Life Insurance Policy.
- _____ Personal Property held as an investment
- _____ Lump-sum receipts or one-time receipts

13. _____ Proof of student status for dependent household members over age of 18 and full-time students. Letter from High School or College providing student status, full time or part time for current or next semester.

14. _____ A household may count an unborn child as a household member. The household must submit proof of pregnancy with the application, i.e. letter from doctor.



15._____If the applicant is in the process of a divorce or separation, the applicant must provide legal documentation the divorce or separation has begun or has been finalized. Information must be provided regarding the distribution of family assets. If not provide all household income and assets from ex will be counted even if one adult will not be living in the unit.

We understand if we do not provide all applicable financial documentation our application will not be reviewed.

Print Applicants Name(s): _____

Applicants Signature DATE Co-Applicants Signature DATE

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12 Pond Street
Ashland, MA

Release of Information Authorization Form

Date: _____

I/We hereby authorize MCO Housing Services, 12 Pond Street Leasing Office, or any of its assignees to verify any and all income, assets and other financial information, to verify any and all household, resident location and workplace information and directs any employer, landlord or financial institution to release any information to MCO Housing Services, 12 Pond Street Leasing Office or any of its assignees and consequently the Projects Administrator, for the purpose of determining income eligibility for 12 Pond Street.

A photocopy of this authorization with my signature may be deemed to be used as a duplicate original.

Applicant Name (Please Print)

Applicant Name (Please Print)

Applicant Signature

Applicant Signature

Mailing Address



Return the following to MCO Housing Services:

1. Completed, signed and dated application
2. Signed and dated Affidavit and Disclosure Form
3. Completed, signed and dated Required Personal Identification and Income Verification Documents Form
4. All required financial documentation
5. Complete, signed and dated *Release of Information Authorization Form*
6. Proof of Local Preference
7. Special Accommodation Income, if needed

RETURN to:

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Harvard, MA 01451
Overnight mailing address: 206 Ayer Road, Harvard, MA 01451
Phone: 978-456-8388
FAX: 978-456-8986
Email: lotteryinfo@mcohousingservices.com
TTY: 711, when asked 978-456-8388

